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**Cc:** Gray, David;Curry, Ron;Coleman, Sam;Hanley, Mary  
**Subject:** Meeting request with Louisiana state oil/gas regulatory agencies (DNR/DEQ)  
**Attachments:** TM Austin Discussions with State Regulatory Agencies.docx

Jim – recently Teresa Marks (formerly with ADEQ) assumed the role in EPA Headquarters as the point of contact on oil & gas matters for the Office of the Administrator. As you recall, we had a meeting last summer at LDEQ with Ramona Trovato in much the same vein.

As part of an introductory tour, Teresa's staff has asked if she and a few regional office staff (some combination of RA Ron Curry, DRA Sam Coleman, and/or myself) come to Baton Rouge in the next couple of weeks. In addition to introducing herself and learning of your energy and environmental concerns, she would like to outline some recent work that EPA has done with the National Governors Association as well as provide a status report on the ORD study of potential impacts from hydraulic fracturing to water resources.

Yesterday, Peggy Hatch at LDEQ, said that we should check your schedule first and that she and her staff would work to attend the meeting that is most convenient to you.

I know that the Legislature is getting ready to go into session and we acknowledge that their schedule will complicate planning. Similar to last summer's meeting, I suspect that the meeting would last between 1 to 2 hours.

Is there a date, preferably mid-week, that would work within your schedules? I have attached the agenda for a similar meeting held last Thursday in Austin. Let me know if you need additional information. We would like to get the meeting set in the next couple of days, so travel plans can be coordinated.

Sorry for the short lead time. And thanks for the assistance.

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